

DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA AUGUST 1980

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. Where possible, series are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Seasonal adjustment

2. Measures of variability and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting Bureau statistics are given in Appendixes C and B, respectively, of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0). This annual publication also contains historical original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form of a selection of the statistics appearing in the Bureau's monthly and quarterly publications.

3. As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

4. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

Related publications

5. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$2.35). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in *Catalogue of Publications* (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- nil or rounded to zero
- ... not applicable
- r figure or series revised since previous issue
- n.a. not available
- n.y.a. not yet available.

7. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PRODUCTION

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes		Iron ore(a) '000 tonnes		Lead(b) '000 tonnes		Electricity mil. kWh		Gas(c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles(d) '000		Electric motors under 720 W '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1979-80 —																		
July	6,513	6,424	24,667	36.5	8,977	7,823	30,611	24,549	686	688	468	435	42.8	40.9	259	251		
August	6,853	7,140		39.4	8,991	7,938	30,228	25,056	706	712	453	437	45.5	41.1	316	272		
September	7,384	7,359	33.5	8,026	7,926	26,762	24,808	705	719	456	442	40.2	36.8	344	290			
October	8,353	7,116	38.4	7,911	7,883	25,885	25,257	734	691	461	445	45.0	37.6	324	273			
November	8,418	7,181	26,550	32.9	7,510	7,980	23,328	25,627	674	711	476	442	42.4	36.5	349	291		
December	5,344	7,294	28.1	7,381	8,024	21,930	25,698	749	732	422	443	28.8	34.5	291	300			
January	5,854	7,633	21.9	7,366	8,076	21,433	26,602	763	709	399	452	11.1	32.1	115	257			
February	5,647	5,186	21,579	33.2	7,414	8,044	22,369	26,154	658	669	474	457	34.6	33.9	272	287		
March	7,202	7,105	35.6	7,824	8,098	24,503	27,357	628	613	449	441	33.6	31.9	283	273			
April	5,311	6,107	36.4	7,524	8,079	25,905	27,587	529	564	448	451	26.7	29.0	248	278			
May	8,209	6,901	24,188	36.6	r8,279	r7,898	30,605	29,235	488	466	481	451	35.6	30.6	267	293		
June	8,174	7,786	35.2	r8,707	r8,029	34,984	29,883	576	603	457	455	29.8	29.4	284	288			
1980-81 —																		
July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	9,478	8,178	r31,277	r24,878	736	744	495	460	35.5	r32.1	321	291			
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	9,070	8,135	34,419	28,698	685	698	491	473	29.6	29.0	318	294			

(a) Gross mine output.

(b) Metallic contents of mine products.

(c) Available for issue through mains, includes natural gas.

(d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (excl. towelling) '000 sq m		Woollen and worsted woven cloth (excl. blanketine*) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufac- turing division(b)		Whole milk production, all purposes, mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Total receipts tonnes	% of total received by brokers(c)	Original	Seas. adj.
1979-80 —																
July	3,921	3,603	711	701	13,765	190	185	259.2	312	478	43,007	74.8				
August	4,091	3,319	755	708	13,479	214	208	261.5	484	512	79,058	76.9			r23,060	r22,974
September	4,925	4,501	719	734	12,021	211	215	263.3	617	501	86,068	75.9				
October	3,745	3,395	805	721	14,870	237	213	266.6	726	457	117,187	73.4				
November	3,659	3,064	989	817	r13,232	202	191	269.3	709	456	89,906	74.5			r24,272	r24,399
December	3,544	4,441	683	791	9,514	165	187	272.2	633	443	48,544	75.1				
January	1,630	3,899	435	795	r5,896	181	191	276.3	530	432	(d)21,448	(d)69.9				
February	3,476	3,252	908	784	11,666	176	174	283.1	421	440	36,800	73.2			r25,341	r25,341
March	3,207	3,385	900	825	r12,171	167	164	285.4	345	422	37,351	70.7				
April	2,900	3,421	775	779	r10,595	203	212	286.0	244	383	37,928	74.6				
May	3,599	3,120	673	732	13,140	200	189	287.2	219	433	29,940	74.7			25,908	25,842
June	3,543	3,230	r513	r610	13,286	167	173	289.2	225	470	r23,094	70.2				
1980-81 —																
July	4,599	4,133	834	752	14,266	r208	r196	292.6	298	456	41,293	75.0				
August	3,769	3,154	691	711	13,028	197	202	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.				

(a) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5630.0.

(b) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment.

(c) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia.

(d) Affected by major industrial dispute.

OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

Month	Total exports, value \$m		Total imports, value \$m		Value of merchandise at average 1974-75 prices(a) \$m		Export price index(b) All groups 1974-75 = 100	Balance on current account \$m	Net apparent capital inflow \$m	Official reserve assets(c) \$m
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Exports		Original	Original	Original	Original
					Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.				
1979-80—										
July	1,399	1,384	1,227	1,135			161	-141	12	3,865
August	1,299	1,245	1,325	1,232	2,647	2,033	162	-256	33	3,667
September	1,379	1,459	1,102	1,200			164	-3	-192	3,858
October	1,635	1,584	1,476	1,347			169	-64	-39	4,106
November	1,679	1,612	1,371	1,317	2,890	2,157	172	-73	88	4,148
December	1,563	1,664	1,167	1,299			174	98	-25	4,614
January	1,746	1,681	1,630	1,501			179	-305	520	6,386
February	1,623	1,664	1,445	1,511	3,048	2,265	183	-70	233	6,495
March	1,622	1,809	1,331	1,395			185	-10	-76	5,627
April	1,620	1,585	1,277	1,335			183	-49	-33	5,225
May	1,537	1,470	1,472	1,488	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	182	-315	579	5,271
June	1,794	1,757	1,394	1,439			179	—	23	5,681
1980-81—										
July	1,704	1,619	1,591	1,437			n.y.a.	-235	181	5,933
August	1,490	1,528	1,405	1,379			n.y.a.	-327	112	5,533

(a) Replaces estimates at average 1966-67 prices. See publication 5421.0. (b) Introduced in July 1979. For further detail see July 1979 issue of publication 6405.0. (c) From the end of June 1976 gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)								New motor cars and station wagons registered '000		Other new motor vehicles registered(d) '000		Instalment credit for retail sales, finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding(e) \$m	
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (b) \$m		Food and drink(h) \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture(b) \$m		Other(h)(c) \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.						
1979-80—														
July	2,182	2,329	3,322	3,436	2,214	2,317	1,149	1,218	44.6	42.4	10.4	9.4		3,042
August	2,322	2,320							43.7	39.8	9.7	9.1		3,025
September	2,182	2,325							36.3	38.6	8.8	9.6		3,018
October	2,334	2,314							39.8	37.7	10.9	10.1		3,023
November	2,501	2,358	3,760	3,500	2,742	2,336	1,485	1,256	38.4	38.3	10.0	10.1		3,035
December	3,151	2,405							32.2	35.1	7.4	8.0		3,043
January	2,324	2,486							33.2	38.0	8.3	10.0		3,039
February	2,268	2,439	3,595	3,662	2,142	2,484	1,226	1,303	36.3	38.1	9.7	10.6		3,034
March	2,370	2,524							37.0	37.4	10.0	10.0		3,026
April	2,391	2,484							36.3	35.5	9.3	9.4		3,013
May	2,657	2,526	3,643	3,725	2,530	2,510	1,244	1,331	37.7	34.8	10.8	9.8		3,010
June	2,409	2,597							36.5	36.7	11.1	10.5		3,002
1980-81—														
July	2,562	2,654							43.2	38.5	11.9	10.1		n.y.a.
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.							39.4	38.7	10.1	10.2		n.y.a.

(a) Based on the 1973-74 census of retail establishments (b) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory (c) Other, excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses (d) During the period, amounts financed to new agreements made were: April, \$135m; May, \$145m; June, \$132m (e) Comprises light commercial type

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings per employed male unit \$		Weekly wage rates index, adult males (b) 1954 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee (c)	Consumer price index, six State capitals, 1966-67 = 100.0 unless otherwise noted (a)								
	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	All groups	Food (d)	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care (e)	Recreation (f)
					Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	
1979-80--													
July			{ r590.8	1.3		{ 272.6							
August	238.30	238.60	{ r591.4	1.4	275.8	{ 270.9	288.6	304.5	235.7	284.4	293.9	293.8	125.2
September			{ r592.2	1.3		{ 271.5							
October			{ r592.3	1.4		{ 275.1							
November	248.30	243.70	{ r596.1	1.5	284.1	{ 276.2	292.9	311.3	240.7	294.7	297.5	335.3	129.4
December			{ r596.7	1.6		{ 281.2							
January			{ r624.3	1.2		{ 286.9							
February	245.70	250.90	{ r624.7	1.4	290.3	{ 288.2	295.2	316.8	247.0	296.5	302.8	340.6	133.8
March			{ r626.1	1.4		{ 291.4							
April			{ r626.8	1.4		{ 293.4							
May	256.20	258.30	{ r627.1	1.4	298.4	{ 296.2	303.7	324.5	253.4	310.3	307.9	348.8	136.2
June			{ 627.3	1.3		{ 298.9							
1980-81--													
July			n.y.a.	1.4		300.2							
August			n.y.a.	1.4		302.6							

(a) The composition of the group structure of the Index has been altered with the introduction, from December quarter 1976, of the ninth Consumer Price Index series. (b) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see *Over-time, Australia* (6330.0). (d) Quarterly series may be derived by averaging the three monthly figures. However, in some cases quarterly index numbers so derived differ slightly from the quarterly figure as published in *Consumer Price Index* publications due to rounding. (e) Base December quarter 1968 = 100.0. (f) Base September quarter 1976 = 100.0.

BUILDING, ETC.

Month	Building approvals \$m		Building approvals dwellings '000 units		Government building approved \$m		Building commenced, total \$m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Price indexes (a)		New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m)						
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Materials used in house building		Materials used in building other than house building		New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment	
												Original	Original	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1979-80--																			
July	606.8	r585.2	12.4	11.9	103.6							283.6	285.2						
August	611.5	r613.4	11.9	11.8	88.5	1,876.2	1,799.4	32.7	31.2			287.6	288.5	531.9	524.0	1,531.1	1,559.7		
September	625.9	r644.2	11.6	11.8	126.9							290.6	290.2						
October	620.0	r572.9	12.9	11.8	63.3							293.4	292.2						
November	648.3	r776.0	13.0	12.3	131.5	1,746.8	1,850.8	32.0	34.2			295.0	291.8	675.6	594.2	1,725.1	1,620.8		
December	559.3	r632.9	9.8	10.7	112.4							297.4	299.3						
January	568.5	r690.7	10.1	112.8	116.5							301.6	304.9						
February	656.8	r712.3	11.3	12.4	146.4	2,215.4	2,286.2	34.3	34.9			308.9	311.1	536.8	659.7	1,514.2	1,737.8		
March	701.0	r702.8	13.3	12.7	99.4							314.4	314.1						
April	659.0	r677.8	12.7	12.8	73.9							317.2	315.7						
May	730.4	r664.0	13.3	12.4	119.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.			320.0	317.5	705.3	682.5	1,942.3	1,793.8		
June	763.4	r685.6	13.1	12.2	103.3							324.2	323.6						
1980-81--																			
July	760.9	711.1	13.2	12.1	72.6							329.9	328.6						
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.							334.4	333.6						

(a) Weighted average six State capital cities. 1966-67 = 100.0.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors'— balances (c) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Finance companies balances outstanding (d) \$m	Housing finance for owner occupation value of loans approved (a)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (f) per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m	
			Deposits \$m		Advances \$m			Banks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (e) \$m			Original	Seas. adj.
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original				Original	Original		
1979-80—														
July	19,927	19,952	19,550	20,456	15,252	15,213	17,329	303	165	91	9.94	497.2	1,889	2,396
August	20,131	20,059	19,958	20,611	15,380	15,400	17,459	354	179	100	9.94		2,608	2,636
September	20,247	20,095	20,313	20,785	15,708	15,657	17,628	305	173	87	9.95		1,885	2,554
October	20,364	20,159	20,993	21,025	16,216	15,830	17,791	356	208	96	9.94	844.0	2,117	2,589
November	20,412	20,325	21,459	21,514	16,408	16,176	18,086	312	213	103	9.96		2,749	2,594
December	20,575	20,486	22,150	21,840	16,612	16,448	18,230	245	162	93	9.97		1,894	2,444
January	20,774	20,720	22,999	22,292	16,565	16,724	18,302	342	182	94	10.38	r52f	2,632	2,811
February	20,964	20,856	23,252	22,349	16,574	17,050	18,370	328	226	104	10.75		2,721	2,691
March	20,849	20,973	23,399	22,431	16,836	17,195	18,519	330	240	107	11.20		2,719	2,824
April	20,845	21,193	23,089	22,329	17,280	17,255	18,620	345	214	98	11.40	659.3	3,967	2,763
May	20,846	21,149	22,441	22,917	17,613	17,519	18,820	334	244	110	11.54		3,711	2,535
June	21,261	21,313	22,684	23,606	17,514	17,549	19,072	295	208	104	11.50		n.y.a.	n.y.a.
1980-81—														
July	21,351	21,359	23,015	23,943	17,864	17,817	19,393	332	253	107	11.34		n.y.a.	n.y.a.
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	23,278	24,192	17,901	17,926	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Includes loans for alterations and additions. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes external territories. (d) Amounts shown relate to all types of finance agreements and provide a broad overall measure of finance company activity. For further details see the monthly publication *Finance Companies* (\$614.0). (e) Includes commissioning building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (f) This series was previously based on rebate bonds which were issued prior to 1 November 1968. Income on these bonds was subject to income tax at current rates less a rebate of 10 cents in each dollar of Australian Government loan interest included in taxable income. The series is now based on non-rebate bonds.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (\$m)

Quarter	Gross domestic product				Gross farm products				Gross non-farm products				Final consumption expenditure				Gross fixed capital expenditure			
	Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Seas. adj.		Private		Government		Private		Public	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES																				
1978-79—																				
March	25,285	25,867	2,114	1,645	23,171	24,222	15,007	15,686	3,979	4,243	3,339	3,709	1,791	2,079						
June	25,121	26,226	1,090	1,806	24,031	24,420	15,902	15,961	4,435	4,276	4,012	3,804	2,523	2,120						
1979-80—																				
September	26,854	27,225	1,398	1,829	25,456	25,396	16,381	16,550	4,377	4,437	3,726	3,764	1,943	2,134						
December	30,744	27,912	3,308	1,877	27,436	26,035	17,873	16,940	4,709	4,533	4,081	3,873	2,314	2,233						
March	27,850	28,974	1,592	1,717	26,258	27,257	16,968	17,706	4,532	4,833	3,693	4,098	2,034	2,356						
June	28,369	29,891	945	1,803	27,424	28,088	17,927	18,004	5,101	4,917	4,346	4,129	2,648	2,224						
AT AVERAGE 1974-75 PRICES																				
1978-79—																				
March	17,021	17,188	1,801	1,238	15,220	15,950	9,638	10,072	2,689	2,849	2,138	2,368	1,177	1,356						
June	15,894	17,041	488	1,294	15,406	15,747	10,009	10,040	2,966	2,855	2,510	2,382	1,621	1,369						
1979-80—																				
September	16,943	17,234	748	1,158	16,195	16,076	10,041	10,145	2,836	2,878	2,285	2,303	1,213	1,331						
December	19,531	17,390	2,398	1,160	17,133	16,230	10,780	10,215	3,005	2,909	2,453	2,338	1,407	1,358						
March	16,686	17,399	1,053	1,135	15,633	16,264	9,918	10,351	2,808	2,976	2,138	2,364	1,183	1,361						
June	16,444	17,624	440	1,166	16,004	16,458	10,265	10,304	3,108	2,992	2,450	2,332	1,507	1,273						

AT CURRENT PRICES—continued

Quarter	Imports of goods and services ^a		Exports of goods and services		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Companies		Other		Original	Seas. adj.					
					Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original
1978-79															
March	4,300	4,299	4,171	4,272	2,371	2,799	5,902	5,706	13,754	14,206	1,496	20,183	3,678	18,002	
June	4,606	4,618	4,665	4,653	2,699	2,784	4,877	5,971	14,295	14,327	495	21,753	5,608	16,640	
1979-80—															
September	4,547	4,508	4,734	4,791	2,947	2,934	5,813	6,018	14,818	14,872	772	21,731	3,166	19,337	
December	5,003	5,036	5,624	5,443	3,644	3,102	8,158	6,270	15,617	15,157	2,569	23,576	3,489	22,656	
March	5,342	5,329	5,516	5,652	2,739	3,243	5,784	6,212	15,441	15,712	929	22,312	4,290	18,951	
June	5,227	5,244	5,591	5,584	3,429	3,533	5,207	6,493	16,014	16,260	289	24,465	6,248	18,506	

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid or payable by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) ('000)							UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (b) ('000)							JOB VACANCIES (c) ('000)
Month	Males		Females		Persons		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total			Survey estimates (d)	
	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Males	Females		Males	Females	Persons		
1979-80—														
July	4,112.4	n.a.	2,337.7	n.a.	6,450.1	n.a.	188.2	131.3	63.0	201.6	181.0	382.5	..	
August	4,100.7	4,121.1	2,314.6	2,323.7	6,415.3	6,444.5	182.8	130.1	60.8	196.1	177.7	373.8	33.0	
September	4,140.9	n.a.	2,373.7	n.a.	6,514.6	n.a.	184.7	138.3	73.5	201.6	194.9	396.5	..	
October	4,126.8	n.a.	2,386.2	n.a.	6,513.0	n.a.	178.1	133.5	76.2	195.9	191.8	387.8	..	
November	4,115.0	4,136.6	2,396.2	2,404.9	6,511.2	6,541.4	171.5	125.1	64.1	183.8	176.8	360.6	34.3	
December	4,216.4	n.a.	2,430.4	n.a.	6,646.8	n.a.	202.2	151.6	73.1	224.2	202.7	426.9	..	
January	4,179.9	n.a.	2,337.0	n.a.	6,516.9	n.a.	226.9	154.1	56.9	242.3	195.5	437.8	..	
February	4,190.6	4,155.8	2,428.0	2,416.8	6,618.6	6,572.5	215.2	160.5	68.8	230.4	214.1	444.5	36.9	
March	4,182.6	n.a.	2,473.0	n.a.	6,655.6	n.a.	196.3	142.8	73.3	211.5	200.9	412.4	..	
April	4,156.6	n.a.	2,440.9	n.a.	6,597.5	n.a.	192.9	145.3	65.3	206.9	197.5	404.5	..	
May	4,201.1	4,193.6	2,450.3	2,443.5	6,651.4	6,637.5	201.0	141.6	71.0	219.9	193.7	413.6	29.8	
June	4,179.2	n.a.	2,459.6	n.a.	6,638.8	n.a.	193.1	144.7	68.3	208.9	197.1	406.1	..	
1980-81—														
July	4,189.5	n.a.	2,475.9	n.a.	6,665.4	n.a.	190.0	134.8	60.6	205.3	180.0	385.4	..	
August	4,180.0	4,200.3	2,459.0	2,468.1	6,639.0	6,668.0	192.2	139.0	59.3	207.9	182.6	390.5	30.1	

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed. (b) Labour force survey estimates. Suspension of seasonally adjusted unemployment estimates is explained in the November 1977 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). (c) Seasonally adjusted estimates available only for February, May, August and November. (d) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see *Job Vacancies, May 1979* (6231.0).

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